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CROSS-REFERENCE TO A RELATED APPLIATION

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in German Patent Application DE 102 16 207.7 filed on April 12, 2002. This German Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a distance measuring device.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS